ANNUAL REPORT

Chairman Shonts Says That Preliminary Work Has Been Completed.

THE NEGRO UNSATISFACTORY

Splendid Sanitation on Isthmus, and Death Rate Smaller Than in New York,

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 20.—
The annual report of the Isthmian Catine Commission to Siscretary Tait was
nade public to-day. It is signed by T. P.,
Shonts, chairman, and has filed as exdists the reports to the commission of
the Governor of the canal zone and of
loto F. Stevens, chief engineer.
Chairman Shonts said in past:
During the year the first stake of canal
work, that of preparation, has virtually
seen past, and the commission finds itself
it position to enter upon the second stage,
hat of actual construction of a lock
sand at an elevation of eightf-five feet,
authorized by Congress in June last.

"Of these two saves, the first was at
the fire more difficult and the more precorrant. If not done thoroughly and inelligently in every part, the actual work
of construction would be handleapped
rom the start. It was necessary, as in
the launching of any great enterprise to

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Old-Age Pensions Discussed in Special Report of Committee.

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WASHINGTON, December 26.—The report of the special commissioner of the National Civil Service Reform Leaving was made public to-day, it says in part. There is a persistent agrituation to provide against the special commissioner of the National Civil Service Reform Leaving was made public to-day, it says in part. There is a persistent agrituation to provide old-size pensions or retiring allows annes for the supersumated among the discontinuous control of the special commissioner of the port of the special commissioner of the control of the special commissioner of the port of the port of the port of the special commissioner of the port of the port

Purchasers.

'The practices established in the spring of 1965 of calling for bids on materials and supplies on the basis of the price covering delivery on the istimus has been continued, which gives can section of the country equal opportunity for bidding on the materials needed, so that the hours of the country equal opportunity for bidding on the materials needed, so that the port may figure on the business on a combination of prices and rates.

The general purchasing officer is located at Washington, with assistant purchasing and shipping agents at New York, New Greans. San Francisco and Thooma. In addition to having the order of the commission investments of the commission investments of the quartermasters of the army at Chicago, St. Louis, Jefforsonville, find, and Atlanta, Ga. The advertsements of the commission show where its circulars inviting bids may be obtained, and the arrangement made for distributing them enables all persons desiring to bid to obtain them within a short time after they are issued.

Location of Locks.

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Lady Breaks Her Ankle.

CARTELESVILLE, VA., December 20.—
While attempting to cross a porch, which
was correct with sleet, on Thursday
morning, Mrs. J. H. Irving slipped and
fell, breaking her anklebone. Dr. N. P.
Snead was called in to set the bone, and,
so far as can be learned at this writing,
shie is resting comfortably.
Miss Ellie Holmes, of Richmond, is a
guest at the home of Mr. C. W. Dickinson. She will be present at the marriage
of Miss Dickinson to Mr. Snead, on Saturday.

Mr. E. T. Whitlock, of Richmond, visit-

Mr. E. T. Whitlock, of Richmond, visited his home here on Thursday.
Mr. E. W. Dickinson, Jr., who has been teaching in Northampton county, is expected home on Friday, the 21st.
Mr. W. A. Powell returned to Pemberton on Thursday night, after a visit to his home in Williamsburg.

CONGRESS HALTS

Senator Foraker Severely Criticizes the President About Discharge of Negro Troops,

BANDIES WORDS WITH LODGE

Members of the House Wish Speaker Cannon a Merry Xmas.

WASHINGTON, December 20—Senator Foraker occupied the attention of the Senate in its last session before the holiday recess to-day in extended criticism of the basis of President Roosevelt's action in discharging the negro troops of the Twenty-fifth Infantry on account of the Brownsville raid. He was replied to briefly by Senator Lodge, while Senator Scott sustained the demand of the Ohio Senator for a full investigation of the malter by the Senate Military Committee. A resolution directing such an investigation is before the Senate for action at its next meeting. Senator Foraker began his speech with the broad declaration that "the President misconceived his constitutional power when he discharged the troops, and he also misconceived the testimony on which his action was a senator of the control of the control of the senator of the control of the co

his action was based."

Continuing, Mr. Foraker said that the President's constitutional power was simply to command the army and navy as commander-in-chief, while to Congress the Constitution gave power to raise armies and to make rules and regulations for their government. The regulations for their government. The regulations for chief government are regulations prescribed that no man could be summarily discharged without a right to be tried, and the articles of war, he arsued, prescribe minutely how these trials are to be conducted.

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all punishments should be in accordance with the directions of courts-martial, he contended, after reading at length from the articles of war. It was inconceivable that the President should be absolutely without restraint.

"Why, Mr. President," declared Mr. Foraker with great vehemence, "In alrectious crime has been committed if that man is not guilty. He goes forth branded as a murderer."

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EMPTY DESKS IN HOUSE. All Eager to Get Away for Christmas.

Christmas.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 20.—
After being in session three-quarters of an hour to-day, the House adjourned until January 3, 1807.

Empty desks groeted the Speaker when the House convened, and even among the members who remained the desire to get away for the holidays was superior to the inclination for business.

isted since the foundation of the government.

The House resolved itself into committee of the whole with Representative Lacoy, of lowe in the chair, and the references by the various parts of the message to appropriate committees were discussed. The debate was perfunctory, members showing little disposition to "tear a passion to tatters" with Christmas just over the way, and after a half-hour's discussion the committee rose. The House, then, after passing the resolution, adjourned for the Christmas holidays at 12-15 P. M.

A hundred members waited after the House adjourned to extend the season's greetings to Spenser Cannon, who showed by the manner that his heart was warmed by the interest shown in his welfare.

HITCHCOCK REFUSES.

Will Not Allot Indian Lands Until Act Is Reported Illegal. WASHINGTON, D. C., December 20.— Secretary of the Interior Hitchcock, who was called before the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs yesterday, declared to-

The Remington Art Calendar for 1907

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Richmonders in New York.

Smith-Spires.

[Special to The Times Dispaten.]
STAUNTON, VA., December 20.—Mr.
Shas R. Smith and Miss Mary E. Spires
were married here resterday.

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[From Our Regular Correspondent.]

Washington, D. C., December 20.—
Members of Congress, without regard to party affiliations, are almost as deeply and as generally interested in the fight against Senator Railey, in Texas, as they would be in the result of a presidential campaign. It is safe to say that Senator Chiberson and the state and the House from Texas each hear every day from a colleague a question as to the present status of the contest which is reasing in the Lone Star State.

It is conceded, or claimed, as the case may be, that the situation to-day is such that Senator Bailey has good cause to expect re-election. Such was not the case a week ago. At that time almost every Texan, whether he was a Bailey man of reposed to the re-election of a Senator against whom section charges are mode, thought it looked like a defeat for the great Texan.

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Jones-Kirk.

BARROW'S STORE, VA Geneva Kirk, Miss Mildred Morgan and Miss Hinda Jones were lady attendants. The couple drove immediately to the home of the stroom, where a reception was fea-dered a few of their special friends and

Neal-McFerrin.

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[Special to The Times-Dispace.]

MARTINSVILLE, VA., December in.

Mr. J. E. Howard, vice-president of the Rives Rucker Grocery Company, of Mathematical and Miss Ruby Dudley, cld daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Dudley were married at high noon to-day at the home of the bride on Church Street, Red J. A. Spencer, of the Christian Church performing the ceremony. The bride work traveling suit of broven chiffen glod and carried Bride's roses. After the ceremony an elaborate welding lumbers, was served. Mr. and Mrs. Howard left on the Soldock train for a Southern tour, and before returning will visit like home of the

groom's mother, in North Carolina. The wedding presents were numerous and handsome, attesting the widespread popularity of the young couple. Among out-of-town guests at the wedding were Mrs. Geo. W. Cohn, of Winston, N. C., and Mrs. Canady, of Roanoke.

Brooks-Marshall.

GLADYS, VA., December 20.—At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Marsball, a very quiet, but

GREATLY ENHANGES

OFFLEY, VA., December 20 .- Messra P. C. Cardwell and John Glenn, special commissioners, sold at public auction Tuesday, "Dewberry," the home of the late Mrs. B. B. Clarke. After quite a spirited contest it was knocked out to Mr. Ford, of Washington, D. C., at \$7.250. Mr. Ford is supposed to have bought it in for Mrs. E. C. White, one of the legatess. Twelve years ago this place was sold at auction for \$2.200. This gives some idea of how these old Virginia homes have enhanced in value. The dwelling on "Dewberry" is the honderwest in this

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